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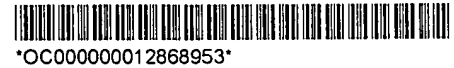
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

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02 FC:1051 130.00 DA
03 FC:1202 180.00 DA

Filing Date Granted

Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 770 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Additional claim fees of \$180 as a non-small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

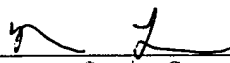
Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$1080 for a Large Entity

- \$770 Statutory basic filing fee.
- \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is **\$180**
 - **\$180** for **10** total claims over 20.

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Cynthia B. Brooks et al

Assignee: APPLIED MATERIALS, INC.

Title: MULTI-STEP PROCESS FOR ETCHING PHOTOMASKS

Serial No.: 10/803,867

Filed: March 18, 2004

Group Art Unit: 1756

Examiner: Unknown

Attorney Docket No.: 7681 USA/MASK/ETCH

Santa Clara, California

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION –
FILING DATE GRANTED**

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted mailed by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on **June 4, 2004** the following documents are enclosed to complete the filing of the above-identified patent application:

1. A combined declaration and power of attorney signed by the inventor(s) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 (4 pages);
2. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted.

The United States Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge the following fees to Deposit Account **50-1074**;

1. Filing Fee - Original Patent Application (37 CFR 1.16(a))	\$770.00
2. Fees for claims	
<input type="checkbox"/> Each independent claim in excess of 3 (37 CFR 1.16(f))	\$**.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Each claim in excess of 20 (37 CFR 1.16(c)) (9 claims)	\$180.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Each multiple dependent claim (37 CR 1.16(d))	\$**.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Late Payment of filing fee - (37 CFR 1.16(e))	\$**.00
Total Completion Fees	\$950.00

3. Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 CFR 1.17(a)-(d), for the total number of months checked below:

Extension (Months) Fee for other than Small Entity

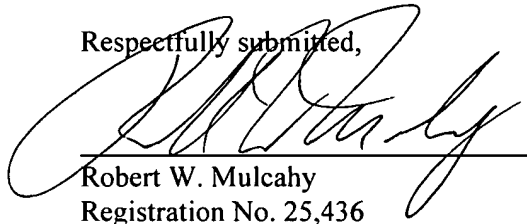
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If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

4. Late filing of original declaration or oath (37 CFR 1.16(e)) \$130.00
5. Total fees due from items 1-4: **\$ 1480.00**
6. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge total fees due and any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **50-1074**.

It is hereby respectfully submitted that the enclosed documents complete the filing of the above-named patent application and justify the filing date of **March 18, 2004**. Please telephone the undersigned at (408) 563-2726, if there are any questions regarding this matter.

Respectfully submitted,


 Robert W. Mulcahy
 Registration No. 25,436

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September 8/2004


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